

No. 98.

Dr. LEMON to the SUPERINTENDENT, Cable Company.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 1st November, 1886.

THE Postmaster-General does not accept your notice this morning. He does not consider an officer of the company has power to make changes of rates. He has already received a communication from the Chairman, to which he has replied.

Superintendent, New Zealand Cable,
Wakapuaka.

C. LEMON,
Superintendent, New Zealand Telegraphs.

No. 99.

The SUPERINTENDENT, Cable Company, to Dr. LEMON.

(Telegram.)

Wakapuaka, 1st November, 1886.

IN reply to your memorandum of to-day, I have the honour to inform you that I have received instructions from our London office that on and after first of November I am to debit Government of New Zealand on all intercolonial messages with ten shillings for first ten words and one shilling for each additional word. Please consider my first notification as formal.

SUPERINTENDENT, Cable Company.

Dr. Lemon, Superintendent, New Zealand Telegraphs.

No. 100.

Mr. JAMES, Melbourne, to Dr. LEMON, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

1st November, 1886.

URGENT. Are we to charge your terminal rate four shillings first ten words and fivepence each additional word on all messages from Victoria? Reply immediately.

Dr. Lemon, Wellington.

JAMES, Melbourne.

No. 101.

Dr. LEMON, Superintendent, Wellington, to Mr. JAMES, Melbourne.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 1st November, 1886.

THE Cable Company, I presume, will give you all the information you require. We debit the cable on all inward intercolonial messages 4s. for first ten words or less, and 5d. each additional word. This in addition to New Zealand land lines tariff now in force.

C. LEMON,

Mr. James Melbrum.

Superintendent.

No. 102.

Mr. JAMES, Melbourne, to Dr. LEMON, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 2nd November, 1886.

OUR rate to New Zealand is now 16s. 6d. ten words, and 1s. 8d. each additional word. Great dissatisfaction public *re* terminal charge your department.

JAMES, Melbourne.

No. 103.

The Hon. F. B. SUTTOR, Sydney, to the Hon. Sir J. VOGEL, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

Sydney, 1st November, 1886.

AM collecting under protest increased rates demanded by company, and have notified public that until further notice tariff will be 14s. 6d. for ten words and 1s. 6d. each additional word, made up as follows: 10s. company, 4s. New Zealand terminal, and 6d. New South Wales rate; and 1s. to company, 5d. to New Zealand, and 1d. to New South Wales, for each additional word.

The Hon. Sir J. Vogel.

F. B. SUTTOR.

No. 104.

Mr. J. WARBURTON, Wellington, to ACCOUNTANT, Sydney.

(Telegram.)

Wellington, 4th November, 1886.

WE debit you for New Zealand rates on Australian messages as formerly. The extra terminal rate of 4s. first ten words and 5d. each additional word we debit to Cable Company.

The Accountant, Sydney.

J. WARBURTON.

No. 105.

The Hon. F. B. SUTTOR to the Hon. Sir J. VOGEL, Wellington.

(Telegram.)

Sydney, 3rd November, 1886.

FROM late telegrams in newspapers it seems you are only charging your public old rates on messages sent from New Zealand, using the four shillings to make up company's charge of ten shillings. I think it unfair that senders of messages from here to New Zealand should be asked to recoup your loss and bear all the disadvantages of the position, and am clearly of opinion now that the proper